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Moore Memorial Public Library Newsletter

BEAT THE HEAT WITH OUR COOL SUMMER PROGRAMS



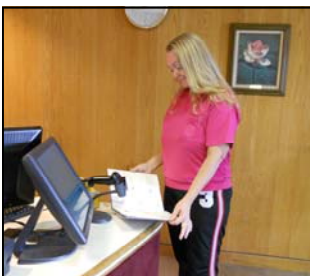
Trent Hooks and our kid-decorated train

Summer programming isn't over by a long shot! We still have fun family events for children and teens all through July. Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday at 10AM we have a fun event for kids. On Thursday afternoons we have a special event at 2:30PM for kids ages 3-12. We'll have space crafts, computer games, a storyteller, and opportunities to learn about the ocean and Texas animals, all in July! All children's events

require tickets. You can pick them up in the Children's Department one week before each event. Check out our full Children's schedule on page 5.

We haven't forgotten teens, either. July 7th is **Drawing Comics** and July 23rd we'll have a **Bicycle Workshop**. Both of these events are ticketed, so grab your tickets at the reference desk the week before the event. Last, but by no means least, we have Gaming Friday every Friday at 2PM in July for teens 12-18. No tickets are required for Gaming Fridays. You can find our full Young Adult schedule on page 6. Call us at (409)643-5977 if you need more information.

CHECK YOURSELF OUT



Cindy Sumblin checking out the self checkout

Our new self checkout machine is here! Skip the wait and check yourself out in no time flat. Our self checkout machine is similar to a self checkout in a grocery store - very easy to use. There are just four steps: 1) select the

language you want ; 2) scan your library card ; 3) scan your items ; 4) take your receipt and add due date cards to the pocket in your book. It's fast, easy and will save you time. Try it out today and, as always, our staff will be glad to assist you if necessary.

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Back to School

Summer may just be getting started, but school is right around the corner. The library remains one of the best resources for students in need of print and electronic research materials. Please speak to a reference librarian to learn how we can better the study experience.



School will begin on the following dates for these local school districts:

Texas City ISD: August 23th
www.tcid.org

LaMarque ISD: August 23rd (9th Grade); August 24th (All other grades)
<http://66.60.230.134>

Santa Fe ISD: August 20th (9th Grade); August 23rd (All other grades)
www.sfid.org

Dickinson ISD: August 23rd
www.dickinsonisd.org

Clear Creek: August 24th
www.ccisd.net

IMPROVE YOUR COMPUTER SKILLS

Our computer classes are aimed at beginning to intermediate computer users. The library offers courses to help patrons learn basic skills using MS Word, MS Excel, MS Powerpoint, Email, the Internet, and more. All attendees will be pre-screened for skill level before each class. All computer classes begin at 10 AM and run about an hour. *Please see Sign-up & Registration Procedure below for details.*

Fall Computer Class Schedule

| Computer Class | Date |
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| Computer Hardware | Thursday, September 2 |
| Basic Mouse Skills | Friday, September 3 |
| Basic Windows | Thursday, September 9 |
| Basic Internet | Friday, September 10 |
| Basic Email | Thursday, September 16 |
| Intermediate Internet | Friday, September 17 |
| Online Search Strategies | Thursday, September 23 |
| Reference & Periodical Databases | Friday, September 24 |
| Basic Mouse Skills | Thursday, September 30 |
| Basic Windows | Friday, October 1 |
| Basic Internet | Thursday, October 7 |
| Basic Word | Friday, October 8 |
| Basic Email | Thursday, October 14 |
| Intermediate Internet | Friday, October 15 |
| Basic Excel | Thursday, October 21 |
| Basic Power Point | Friday, October 22 |
| Basic Publisher | Thursday, October 28 |
| Computer Hardware | Friday, October 29 |
| Basic Windows | Thursday, November 4 |
| Basic Word | Friday, November 5 |
| Basic Internet | Thursday, November 11 |
| Basic Email | Friday, November 12 |
| Intermediate Internet | Thursday, November 18 |
| Online Search Strategies | Friday, November 19 |



Sign-up & Registration Procedure: Registration for **ALL** computer classes will occur **THE DAY OF** the scheduled class. All potential students must come to the library between 9:00 and 9:30 a.m. on the day of the class for pre-class screening. Admission to the class will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis for those persons successfully completing the pre-assessment survey exercise. Admission for most classes is limited to 10 persons per class.

For more information, please contact the Reference Desk at the library, (409) 643-5977.

FALL 2010 ADULT PROGRAMMING

Beginning Go and Board Game Group

Get ready to Go, because in September we're starting a regular program of board games for adults. Go, the ancient Asian art of strategy and skill, is here at MMPL. We will have an introductory class on how to play Go on Monday, September 13 and will start our Board Game Group on Monday, September 20.

WHEN: Monday, September 13 @ 1:30 PM Introductory Go Class
 Monday, September 20 @ 1:30 PM Adult Board Game Group

WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Wills and Estate Planning Three-part Seminar

In September, Ed Mabry will conduct three sessions on wills and estate planning. The first one will cover preparation of a will and testament ; the second will cover power of attorney and the establishment of trusts, and the third will cover estate allotment and relegation. Attendees are encouraged but not required to attend all three classes in order .

WHEN: Tuesday, September 7 @ 7:00 PM Will and testaments
 Tuesday, September 14 @ 7:00 PM Power of attorney & trust establishment
 Tuesday, September 21 @ 7:00 PM Estate allotment and relegation

WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

Personal Photography

In October, Alton Meyer will present two sessions on personal photography. The first talk will focus on the basics of black and white photography, while the second one will address color photography and the nuances of using a digital camera. Q & A sessions will be held during each presentation. Attendees are welcome, though not required, to bring their personal digital cameras to the presentations.

WHEN: Wednesday, October 6 @ 6:00 PM Black & white photography
 Wednesday, October 13 @ 6:00 PM Digital color photography

WHERE: MOORE LIBRARY MEETING ROOM

NEWS BRIEFS

LIBRARY HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The library will be closed on the following dates:

- Monday, July 5th (Independence Day weekend)
- Monday, September 7th (Labor Day)

BOOK CLUB

"Book Bits," the book club for ages 18 and up, continues to meet on the first Wednesday of each month at

2PM. This informal group setting allows readers to share new & old print favorites, discuss controversial titles, compare favorite authors and more. The group will meet on:

- July 7th
- August 4th
- September 1st



Fall Children's Programming

Regular fall children's programming will resume on September 7th. Toddlerific Storytime will be presented Tuesday mornings at 10 AM for children ages 1-2. Children will listen to stories, interact with fingerplays, and sing songs together. There is also some play time for the children. Preschool Storytime will be held Wednesdays at 10:00 AM for children ages 3-5. Children will listen to stories, interact with fingerplays, sing songs, and assemble a craft. Storytimes are held in the Holland

Meeting Room. These free programs are a special opportunity to begin developing your child's literacy skills. For more information about these programs, call (409) 643-5983. Storytime will not be held during the weeks of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.



James Rippard with his finished Travel Journal

Volunteer Opportunity for Young Adults Continues Through July

There is still time for teens to volunteer at the library this summer. Young adults ages 12-18 can listen to younger children read aloud in our Chapter Chums program.

Teens can choose to use their volunteer hours to gain community service credit for school honor societies or college applications, or they can use the volunteer hours to "work off" their library fines. Every 15 minutes spent listening to a child read will take off \$3.00 in library fines. Volunteers working toward service credits will receive a

letter from the library documenting their time.

A brief orientation is required to participate. The orientation will be Tuesday, July 6th at 2:15 PM in the Holland Meeting Room. Teens interested in this program should contact the Reference Desk at (409) 643-5977 for additional information.



Chapter Chum Elizabeth Raska doing some summer reading

Summer Young Adult Programs (ages 12-18)

All Programs will be held in the Walter Holland Meeting Room.

July Teen Programming

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| Wed. July 6th (Ticketed) | 2 PM | Drawing Comics: Learn how to draw your own comic books or strips. Dress as your favorite comic book, manga, or anime character — best costume wins a prize. |
| Wed. July 21st (Ticketed) | 2 PM | Bike Workshop: Learn how to fix and maintain your bike so that you are always in top riding shape. |
| Fridays July 9th, 1th, & 23rd (Unticketed) | 2 PM | Gaming Fridays: Teens ages 12-18 can get together to play board games and online games. <i>No tickets are required for these events.</i> |

Has the summer heat got you wishing for some indoor activities? Since June the library has hosted weekly programs and workshops for young adults, but don't worry — teens haven't missed out on all the fun. There are a few remaining summer programs available for teens, including weekly gaming. Come out and play *Civ IV*, *Worms 2*, *Flatout*, *Thrillville*, and many more.

Teens interested in this program should contact the Reference Desk at (409) 643-5977 for additional information.

Save the Date!

Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week will be held September 26-October 3, 2010. Please visit the library website, www.texascity-library.org, as this week approaches to see how we plan to celebrate your constitutionally protected freedom to read.

Teen Read Week

October 17-23, 2010, is Teen Read Week. This year's theme is *Books With Beat*. During this week, teens are encouraged to read books that rock (or RAWK, depending on your enthusiasm level). The library will host events that encourage young adults to enjoy books, audiobooks, poetry, and graphic novels that celebrate and explore music. The fall newsletter, available in October, will have a detailed program listing for Teen Read Week.

AP SUMMER REQUIRED READING FOR TCHS, & LHS STUDENTS

BOOK DISCUSSIONS IN AUGUST

We are holding a special Summer Reading Program for AP and Pre-AP students of Texas City and LaMarque Schools. Students in AP classes are allowed to check out their required summer reading books from the library at the Circulation Desk. Discussions will be held for each book to help students better understand the assigned reading. Students who attend the book discussion of their required summer reading material at Moore Library will be allowed to keep the book. Please be sure to bring the book to the discussion.

Texas City ISD:

Tue. Aug. 17, 1PM **To Kill a Mockingbird** (PreAP 10th grade)

Fri. Aug. 13, 1PM **The Children's Homer** (PreAP 9th grade)

Mon. Aug. 16, 11AM
The Crucible (AP 11th grade)

Mon. Aug. 16, 1PM **The Joy Luck Club** (AP 12th grade)

La Marque ISD:

Wed. Aug. 4, 3PM **Pygmalion**
(AP 11th grade)

Thu. Aug. 5, 1PM **Of Mice and Men**
(11th grade)

Mon. Aug. 9, 11AM **Lord of the Flies**
(9th grade)

Mon. Aug. 9, 1PM **The Bluest Eye**
(10th grade)

Tue. Aug. 10, 1PM **The Oedipus Cycle**
(AP 12th grade)

Wed. Aug. 11, 11AM **The Color of Water** (AP/ Reg12thgrade)

Wed. Aug. 11, 1PM **The Grapes of Wrath** (PreAP 10th grade)

Thu. Aug. 12, 11AM **Anne Frank: Diary of a Young Girl**
(PreAP 9th grade)

Thu. Aug. 12, 1PM **Bless Me Ultima**
(10th grade)

Fri. Aug. 13, 11AM **Death of a Salesman** (AP 11th grade)

Fri. Aug. 13, 3PM **The House of the Scorpion** (11th grade)

Tue. Aug. 17, 11AM **Black Boy**
(PreAP 10th Grade)

TEXAS CITY READS 2010

This October, prepare to take a literary journey abroad to the darkest jungles of the Amazon...we've picked the non-fiction book *The Lost City of Z: a tale of deadly obsession in the Amazon* by David Grann as the Texas City Reads book of 2010.

After stumbling across the mystery of famed explorer Percy Fawcett's disappearance while searching for a lost civilization in the thick of the Amazonian rainforest, author David Grann (a confirmed lover of air conditioning) finds himself drawn to the forests of the Amazon to investigate the mystery himself. Grann explores the life and legend of Percy Fawcett as well as the "green hell" of the Amazon rainforest in this fast-paced, true-life biographical mystery. Grann is an excellent storyteller, weaving historical and scientific fact seamlessly into this fascinating narrative. The book appeared on several "best books" non-

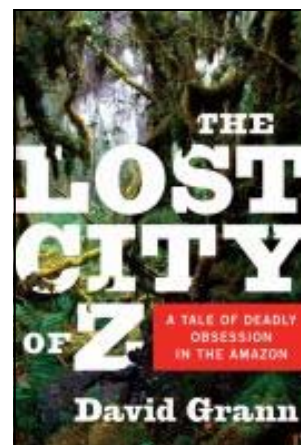
fiction lists of 2009.

The library has purchased multiple copies of *The Lost City of Z*, which are currently available for check-out at the Circulation Desk.

We will host two discussions of the book in the Holland Meeting Room of the Library on the following dates:

- ◆ Monday, October 4, 2010 at 2 PM
- ◆ Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at 7 PM

All are welcome at the discussions. For more information, contact the Reference Desk at (409)643-5977.



Downloadable Audiobooks are Here!

Moore Library patrons can now download audiobooks and ebooks to their MP3 players, iPods and computers. Just click on the Overdrive link on our library homepage or go to <http://hadc.lib.overdrive.com> to get started downloading. We

have a great mix of a mix of fiction and nonfiction, as well as children's, young adult and general collection titles. For more information about downloading from Overdrive, talk to a librarian at the reference desk.

Summer reading Pays Off



Great job Jadí!

Congratulations to Jadí Martinez, who was the first patron to turn in a reading log to the Children's Department in our 2010 Summer Reading program!

Last year our bookworm, Sir Read-A-Lot, had 450 circles, representing 4500 hours of reading by members of our community. To beat that number this year, we need you to keep on reading! Kids age 3-8 who read 40 stories by August 16th get a book prize. Kids who

read an additional 40 stories will get another prize. Kids 3-5 can have 40 stories read to them and ages 6-8 will read their own stories. Kids age 9-12 will get a book prize for every 10 hours they read. Teens and adults will receive a raffle ticket for every 10 hours they read for a chance to win a gift card. Eligible reading material can include books, magazines, newspapers, internet articles, and audiobooks.



Sir-Read-a-Lot 2009.

SUMMER CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

All Programs will be held in the Walter Holland Meeting Room. Tickets required for all events .

| Date | Age Group | Event | Time |
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| All Aboard | | | |

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| JULY 1 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 2 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| Journey with Music | | | |
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| JULY 6 | Ages 6-8 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 7 | Ages 3-5 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 8 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 9 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| Tales of the World | | | |
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| JULY 12 | Ages 3-5 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 13 | Ages 6-8 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 15 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 16 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| Tall Tales | | | |
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| JULY 19 | Ages 3-5 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 20 | Ages 6-8 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 22 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 30 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| All About Me | | | |
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| JULY 26 | Ages 3-5 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 27 | Ages 6-8 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 29 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| JULY 30 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| Everyone is a Storyteller | | | |
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| AUG 2 | Ages 3-5 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| AUG 3 | Ages 6-8 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| AUG 5 | Ages 9-12 | Story time, crafts | 10 AM |
| AUG 6 | Ages 6-12 | Board Games | 10 AM |

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| Thursday Afternoon Programs | | | |
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| JULY 1 | Ages 3-12 | Space Themed Crafts | 2:30 PM |
| JULY 8 | Ages 3-12 | Computer Games | 2:30 PM |
| JULY 15 | Ages 3-12 | Storyteller | 2:30 PM |
| JULY 22 | Ages 3-12 | In the Ocean, In the Sea | 2:30 PM |
| JULY 29 | Ages 3-12 | Texas Animals | 2:30 PM |
| AUG 5 | Ages 3-12 | Storytelling Activities | 2:30 PM |

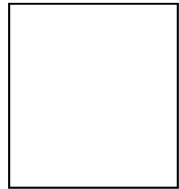


Sarah Murray and Jacob Loving pick out their summer reading

KIDS CAN READ OFF FINES THIS SUMMER

The library does not want fines to keep children from reading this summer! Children are encouraged to clear their blocked cards and practice their reading skills with a teen mentor in our Chapter Chum program. Children up to age twelve can reduce their book fines \$3.00 for every fifteen minutes of reading. Chapter Chums are available to listen to children read off their fines from 1-3 PM Monday through Friday, during the months of June and July. Interested children should report to the Reference Desk.

Please note that this program applies only to book fines and not fines from lost or damaged materials. Children may only read off their own fines, not those of other family members.



Moore Memorial Public Library
1701 9th Avenue North
Texas City, Texas 77590

Become a Friend of the Moore Memorial Public Library

Friends Membership Form

Please return this form, along with your payment, to Friends of Moore Memorial PL, 1701 9th Avenue North, Texas City, TX 77590.
Thank you for supporting the library.

The Friends' dues for calendar year 2010 (Jan. 1, 2010 through Dec. 31, 2010) are the following:

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please make checks payable to Friends of MMPL.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State Zip _____

Phone _____

Individual (\$10) ____

Family (\$25) ____

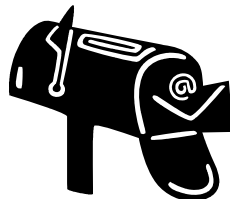
Senior Citizen 60+(\$5) ____

Student (\$5) ____

Sustaining (\$50) ____

Valued Friend (\$100) ____

Life Member (\$1,000) ____



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